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Homoharringtonine was administered twice a day orally and subcutaneously in a volume of 10 ml/kg on the third, fourth and fifth days after inoculation of parasites. The homoharringtonine was mixed in aqueous 0.5% hydroxyethyl cellulose--0.1% Tween-80 and ultrasonicated when necessary. The doses were prepared using 100% free base of the drug. Groups 8 and 16 of the infected mice received the vehicle alone and served as a negative control. The blood films and final group weights were taken on the sixth day after inoculation of parasites. Microscope examination of Giensa-stained blood smears was made to determine the percent parasitemia (percentage of cells parasitized), and percent suppression of parasitemia. The percent suppression of parasitemia is determined by comparing the average parasitemia of the surviving mice with the parasitemia of the negative controls. Toxicity is attributed to drug action when a 14% or greater weight change occurs or when one or more mice die before the blood smears are taken. The results of the in vivo test are shown in Tables 2 and 3 and graphically in FIGS. 1 and 2 for subcutaneous and oral treatments respectively. An effective dosage occurs when the drug produces 90% suppression. This effective dosage for homoharringtonine given subcutaneously is 3.8 mg/kg per day and given orally is 2.8 mg/kg per day.

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